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In re Application of:

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Title: METHOD FOR INDENTIFYING VEHICLE AND OLIGONUCLEOTIDE MARKER

USED THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 4, 2009

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This Amendment is filed responsive to the Official Action dated November 4, 2008, along with a Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) and a petition for a three-month extension of time, making a response due on or before May 4, 2010. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed upon grant of the Petition for Revival.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 8 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

A **Conclusion** appears at page 20 of this paper.